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December 12, 2007

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL

Byron Coy, PE Director, Eastern Region Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Administration 409 3rd Street, SW, Suite 300 Washington, DC 20024

Re: CPF 1-2007-1011

Dear Mr. Coy:

This is in response to the Notice of Probable Violation and Proposed Civil Penalty (Notice) issued in this matter. Williams Gas Pipeline received the Notice on November 1, 2007.

Williams Gas Pipeline withdraws its previous request for a meeting to discuss this matter and now wishes to request a hearing. The Request for Hearing is enclosed. As this response is being made more than 30 days after receipt of the Notice, Williams Gas Pipeline requests permission to make the response out of time.

Please contact Ms. Marie Sotak at 713.215.2111 to schedule the hearing in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Kandy Barnard Senior Vice President Williams Gas Pipeline

Encl.

DIRECTOR, EASTERN REGION OFFICE OF PIPELINE SAFETY PIPELINE AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SAFETY ADMINISTRATION WASHINGTON, DC

In the Matter of)	
Williams Gas Pipeline – Transco)	CPF No. 1-2007-1011
Respondent.)	
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REQUEST FOR HEARING ON THE NOTICE OF PROBABLE VIOLATION PROPOSED CIVIL PENALTY AND PROPOSED COMPLIANCE ORDER

Respondent Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation, referred to as Williams Gas Pipeline – Transco¹ (WGPT) requests a hearing concerning the allegations described in the Notice of Probable Violation, Proposed Civil Penalty and Proposed Compliance Order issued in this docket on October 22, 2007. The issues upon which Transco seeks a hearing are as follows:

1. WGPT disagrees with the allegations supporting Violation 1 that repairs to rectifier numbers 170-2, 170-5, 185-5A, 185-5B and 190-0 were not done promptly, as required by 49 C.F.R. §192.465(d). WGPT will show at the hearing that there were reasons which justified the time frames needed to repair these rectifiers.

Respectfully submitted this 12th day of December, 2007.

Donald E. Hockaday, III

Senior Counsel

¹ Williams Gas Pipeline – Transco has been used as commercial name by Respondent but Respondent's legal name is Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation. For sake of consistency with the terminology used in the NOPV, the abbreviation "WGPT" will be used to refer to Respondent.